

(PCT Article 36 and Rule 70)

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INTERNATIONAL PRELIMINARY REPORT ON PATENTABILITY

International application No.

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Box No. I Basis of the report

1. With regard to the language, this report is based on the international application in the language in which it was filed, unless otherwise indicated under this item.
- ☐ This report is based on translations from the original language into the following language _____, which is the language of a translation furnished for the purposes of:
- ☐ international search (Rule 12.3 and 23.1(b))
- ☐ publication of the international application (Rule 12.4)
- ☐ international preliminary examination (Rule 55.2 and/or 55.3)
2. With regard to the elements of the international application, this report is based on *(replacement sheets which have been furnished to the receiving Office in response to an invitation under Article 14 are referred to in this report as "originally filed" and are not annexed to this report)*:
- ☐ the international application as originally filed/furnished
- ☒ the description:
- pages 1-6 _____ as originally filed/furnished
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- pages* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- ☒ the claims:
- nos. _____ as originally filed/furnished
- nos.* _____ as amended (together with any statement) under Article 19
- nos.* 1-21 _____ received by this Authority on 23.09.2005 with letter of 22.09.2005
- nos.* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- ☒ the drawings:
- sheets 1/2, 2/2 _____ as originally filed/furnished
- sheets* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- sheets* _____ received by this Authority on _____
- ☐ a sequence listing and/or any related table(s) – see Supplemental Box Relating to Sequence Listing.
3. ☐ The amendments have resulted in the cancellation of:
- ☐ the description, pages _____
- ☐ the claims, nos. _____
- ☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____
- ☐ the sequence listing (*specify*): _____
- ☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*): _____
4. ☐ This report has been established as if (some of) the amendments annexed to this report and listed below had not been made, since they have been considered to go beyond the disclosure as filed, as indicated in the Supplemental Box (Rule 70.2(c)).
- ☐ the description, pages _____
- ☐ the claims, nos. _____
- ☐ the drawings, sheets/figs _____
- ☐ the sequence listing (*specify*): _____
- ☐ any table(s) related to sequence listing (*specify*): _____

* If item 4 applies, some or all of those sheets may be marked "superseded."

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Box No. V	Reasoned statement under Article 35(2) with regard to novelty, inventive step or industrial applicability; citations and explanations supporting such statement		
1.	Statement		
	Novelty (N)	Claims <u>1-21</u>	YES
		Claims _____	NO
	Inventive step (IS)	Claims <u>1-21</u>	YES
		Claims _____	NO
	Industrial applicability (IA)	Claims <u>1-21</u>	YES
		Claims _____	NO
2.	Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)		
1.	<p>A net that is provided with information is known from EP-A1-1241654 (D1) (see D1: figure 1). D1 does not disclose a mesh structure which is formed by a film with holes distributed across its surface and has a surface ratio of holes to film of 3:1.</p> <p>The subject matter of claim 1 is thus novel (PCT Article 33(2)).</p> <p>No prior art document suggests a net that is provided with this type of mesh structure in order to simplify the manufacturing process.</p> <p>Claim 1 therefore involves an inventive step (PCT Article 33(3)).</p> <p>The subject matter of claim 1 can be made and used in industry as a net (PCT Article 33(4)).</p>		
2.	<p>Claim 14 concerns a method for producing a net with a mesh structure which is formed by a film with holes distributed across its surface, the</p>		

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	<p data-bbox="418 359 1365 537">film being printed on one or both sides before the holes are introduced into the film, thereby simplifying the manufacturing process. Claim 14 thus meets the requirements of PCT Article 33.</p> <p data-bbox="302 604 1317 737">3. Claims 2-13 and 15-21 are dependent on claims 1 and 14 and therefore likewise meet the requirements of PCT Article 33.</p>